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Containing the freshest Advices, Foreign and Domestick

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From the Jamaica Courant.

To the Printer.

Observing in your last Paper the Account of the Battle of the English and Spanish squadrons, which happened off the Havannah (which is pretty justly done) and that you intend to give the Publick a more exact account of that Affair to give the Publick; in order to supply that Difficulty in your way, I have sent you the following.

A Detail Knowles with five ships, viz. the Cornwall, Tilbury, Canterbury, Strafford, and Oxford, having been cruising for some time between the Tortugas bank and Cape Corrientes, in order to intercept the galleons and flota, coming from La Vera Cruz and the Havanna, was joined on the 28th of September at night by the Warwick (whom when we first chased her, we heard had been one of them); and on the 30th about noon the Lenox and Rye came join'd us. Capt. Holmes informed the admiral of his having chased the day before by eight sail of Spanish men of war (she by the bye they proved but seven), who took one of his convoy, and might easily have taken him and all the rest, had they not been poltroons: Upon this intelligence, the admiral made a signal directly for all captains; and informing them, I suppose, of the news, we were ordered to get all our ships clear, and prepare for battle.

In the evening the admiral crowded over for the Cuba shore, and by day-light next morning fell in with them: a general signal was made for the line of battle, which we formed very expeditiously, and then tacked and stood after them.

The dons at first bore down upon us, but after making us plain, ran away as fast as they could: but we crowded after them with all the sail we could (for I reckon if we had the Lenox she met with us, or she and all her convoy would have been gone). By noon our headmost ships got pretty near within random shot of the enemy, but we were obliged to stop for our sternmost to come up; and soon after it fell almost calm, and proved but little wind the rest of the afternoon.

At three o' clock, or thereabouts, the Spanish vice admiral hoisted a Spanish flag at his main top mast head, and began to engage the Strafford and Tilbury, as did the two ships ahead of him (one of which was a rear admiral); but our admiral thinking us too far off (as indeed we were, for both our shot and theirs fell short), made the signal to come to a closer engagement, and bore down upon them near half an hour himself, without firing a gun: but all the sternmost Spanish ships kept pelting at him. When he got near and began, the Cornwall look'd like H—ll, for she vomited nothing but fire and smoke: In about an hour and a half she beat the vice-admiral out of the line, and set him a-burning; but the Strafford and she had made one of the ships strike to them before (this prize we have taken), but like a rascal, he hoisted his colours again, because no boat went on board him.

Next the admiral followed the Lenox, then the Warwick and Canterbury, agreeable to the line, who took up the sternmost ships as they came up with them: The Oxford the admiral turned out of the line, and sent her to chase the Tilbury; I suppose, because he saw the Spanish admiral was that dog Garriacochea, who has done so much mischief out of their line; tho' he fired at the Strafford and Cornwall too, but ran away like a thief when his admiral ran, as indeed they all did; but what vexed me most, was to see that rogue sir Hardy Forester get clear off, for we wanted much to have had him.

Just as the Spaniards began to run, our admiral had his main top mast shot by the cap, and his fore top sail yard had been shot down some time before, and the yard hung like a Welchman's dagger; so that the Cornwall could not pursue the fugitives. But that night was pulled down, and we made all chace to leeward; and immediately we found other ships. The Canterbury and Oxford came up at once (the Strafford, and Tilbury were ordered to remain for the sake of the prize), and then we stood in for the shore, we continued to keep him for several days, being always under sail, by the rising and the setting of our flying squadron, till most at night, when the flashing engines and blaze of Tar barrels after we espied the vice admiral's ships at an anchor, in a small bay to windward of the Havanna, as long as a mile in a gall; however our affairs seemed to go but cross and, what with a design to burn her, but lack-land in the trouble, for when we got within gun shot, they let fly at us, and a dozen bonnie we made, the best I ever saw in my life; the horse and them, they run away, and came to save their dead and wounded, so that they were all employed in that, the number of near 1000 lb not to be sent to the Havanna, and landed all the prisoners from the Conquistadore, where we found the four ships got in much mauld: their vice admiral's top mast were all flat away; and we heard by the boat which went ashore, an admiral, his captains, three of ships, and three of soldiers; for they were as full of soldiers as they could crowd, tho' those I saw on board the prize were mere rags: But the best joke was, those fellows were to have carried us into the Havanna; they may thank their saints that carried their four there; for had day light lasted but two hours longer, we'd a had every man of them.

When our admiral lost his top masts, and could not follow the fleet, he bore down to the Conquistadore as the lay like a wreck, and we all thought he was going to board her, and cut the dogs to pieces, for holding their colours aloft; but he only fired a broadside or two at her when he got close on her lee (for fresh diretta, and cry'd out for quarter, but 'tis very they had any. Just as the prize struck, there was a fine ship coming in with her, but the Cornwall gave her such a dose, she turn'd upon her, and shook off, for her top sails, and ran for it as fast as she could.

The next day we met a Spanish sloop from Cadiz, going to the Havanna, who told us of the convoy; I curs'd him for coming in our way; for we should have gone and taken all the galleons else, and been as rich as princes. The fine we deserv'd it; for we liv'd at short allowance all the cruise, and but two quarts of water a day to make it hold out, in hopes of meeting them (but short allowance of grog was worst of all); and now we have brought this prize here, we are told she will be given up to the Spaniards again; so we have fought them for nothing.

Indeed we took a polacco from Carthagena, with some money on board; but that's but a bad campaign to what we expected.

The Spaniards compute their loss at above 1000 men killed and near as many more wounded; whilst ours do not exceed 100: And they had the superiority by 19 guns, and 1500 men.

PARIS, September 27.

THE letters from Genoa of the 24th inst. import, that the suspension of arms has been published in Corsica even with the rebels, and that is to make for six months. And the republic hath sent thither Signior Serbelloni, with power under the king's auspices, to make some accommodation; it is presumed these Islanders, not to oppose themselves to the king's resentment, at a time when his majesty will have it in his power to crush them at once, will at last submit to their obedience, if to only to be wished their submission may be sincere and durable, of which we cannot easily persuade ourselves.

Advices

December 1. We are inform'd from New-Jersey, that one of the rioters having been committed to jail at Elizabeth-town, a number of those people came to the prison that day night last, and let him out; and he afterwards made his escape, there being no guard, or watch kept at the door off the hinges, and he walk'd out of prison as Paul and Silas did.

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to pay a due regard to his prayers, from the time he gets out of bed till he repairs to it again; and it is the opinion of some of the learned in the faculty, that a due attendance to this duty is conducive to the health of his body; and of some learned divines, that it may be the means of the salvation of his poor soul! Nay, his own old shipmates who went a privateering with him, swear he would have fought the devil himself for a fair wind to the heavenly port; and would have made no more scruple to pray with him than his own father did before him. There are a set of old dogs at sea, by profession, of such a subject.

A FABLE.

The Wolf, the Goat, and the Lamb.

A DUTY demands, the parent's voice
Should sanctify the daughter's choice;
In this, is due obedience shewn,
To choose, belongs to her alone.
May horror seize his midnight hour
Who builds upon a parent's pow'r,
And claims, by purchase, vile and base,
The loathing, maid, to his embrace!
Where peace had built her downy nest,
Becomes the troubled seat of care,
And pines with anguish, and despair.

A Wolf, rapacious, rough and bold,
Whose nightly plunders thin'd the fold,
Contemning his ill-spent life,
And doy'd with theft, would take a wife!
His purpose known, the savage race
In num'rous crouds, attend the place;
For why, a mighty wolf he was,
And held dominion in his jaws.
Mr. Goat the whip hath brought,
And lullaby his alliance sought;
But wild he was, and ne'er too nice,
Nor found acceptance in his eyes.

It happen'd, as at early dawn,
He solitary trod the lawn,
Stray'd from the fold, a tender Lamb
Ship'd wander by her fleecy Dam;
When Cupid, for to man and beast,
Discharg'd an arrow at his breast.
The thirsty prey the robber knew,
And trembling o'er the meadow flew;
Thus stedfast speed the Wolf o'ertook,
And courteous, thus the Dam bespoke.

Stay, fairest, and suspend your fear,
Trust me, no enemy is near;
These jaws in slaughter oft imbru'd,
At length have known enough of blood;
And kindler ballads brings me now,
Vanquish'd, at beauty's feet to bow.

You have a daughter——Sweet, forgive
A Wolf's address.——In her I live;
Love from her eyes like lightning came,
And fir my marrow all on flame;
Let your consent confirm my choice,
And ratify our nuptial joys.

Me ample wealth, and pow'r attend,
Wide o'er the plains my realms extend;
What midnight robber dare invade
The fold, if I the guard am made?
At home the shepherd's cur may sleep,
While I secure his master's sheep.

Discourse like this, attention claim'd;
Cautious the mother's breast inflam'd;
Now smooth by his side she walk'd,
Of settlements, and jointures talk'd;

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ADVERTISEMENTS.

IF *James Witherspoon* be living, he may hear of Something greatly to his Advantage, by enquiring of *Jonas Green*, Printer in *Annapolis*.

He came from *Glasgow*, and resided Five Years with Mr. *John Parnham*, then Merchant in *Charles* County, and has been from thence about 20 Years. If any Body can give an Account of him, their Information will be thankfully received.

STrayed away from the Subscriber, living in *Annapolis*, a Brown Cow, with a spotted Face, her Horns grow a little up, and almost meet at the Top; she has a white Belly, and is mark'd with a Halfpenny Cut in the under Part of her off Ear. Whoever will bring the said Cow to the Subscriber, or give Notice where he may have her again, shall have Fifteen Shillings Reward, paid by

DANIEL WELLS.

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ON board the Brigantine *Prince Frederick*, lying in the Dock at *Annapolis*, very good Salt, Madeira Rum, Loaf and Brown Sugar, Earthen and Wooden Ware, Melasses, Cutlass, Bolts, Tar, Wine, Hops, Rush Bottom Chairs, and many other Things too tedious to mention, for Sterling or Paper Money, live or dead Hogs, Flour, or Lumber, by

JOHN LAYTE.

N. B. The said *Leppington* has a handsome well-made two-wheel'd Chair to dispose of, very cheap; and will give Twenty Shillings per Hundred (half Money and half Goods) for any Quantity of Pork. And requests, that those who are inclin'd to deal with him, have, would be very speedy; for he shall leave *Annapolis*, almost as soon as the Weather breaks up.

Maryland, S. WHereas Mr. *Jonathan Forward*, Merchant in *London*, has signified to the Subscriber his Intentions of declining the *Maryland* Trade, and delivering it up to Messieurs *Dunbar* and *Hodshon*, as he has already done the *Virginian*; all Persons indebted to the said *Jonathan Forward* (by any Transactions with me) are desired to come and settle their respective Accounts, and pay them off by the 20th Day of *February* next at farthest. Also those who are indebted to me on my private Account, are likewise desired to come and settle by that Time. And whatever due any Demands on me, they shall be duly paid. I intending to depart this Province, for *London*, early in the Spring. Whoever refuses to comply with this Request, must expect Trouble, from

DARBY LUX.

WHereas the Subscribers intend to depart this Province some Time next Spring; public Notice is hereby given, that they have for Sale a very valuable Tract of Land, situate on the South Side of *South River*, and adjoining to *Londen Town*, containing 1100 odd Acres, upon which are three Dwelling Plantations, two whereof are Tenements now in, and they in good Repair. Also two other Tracts, containing 600 and odd Acres, lying in *Prince George's* County, about two Miles and a Half from *Queen Anne*, whereon are two Negro Quarters, with Orchards, Tobacco Houses, &c. &c. &c.

Any Person inclining to purchase less than the whole, may have what Quantity they like, above 200 Acres. For Terms of Sale, apply to

MORDECAI, RICHARD, and THOMAS MOORE.

A Compleat Looking-Glass, with Walnut Cheek, fresh up in the newest and most fashionable Manner, contrived to fit any Room, (which necessary to carry with it conveniently as it may be put in a Case, &c.) may be seen at the Printer hereof. For Terms of Sale apply to the Printer hereof.

N. B. As it makes fit for a Gentleman in *Virginia*, who will set from after it will be sold cheap. There is also a Pair of good Horses, that match well, have very fast Trot, well together, which may be had with the Chaise, if required.

THE Subscriber intending for *London* next Summer, and having a very good Assortment of *European* and *India* Goods, Rum, Sugar, Salt, very good *Florence* Oil, and fine Bohea Tea at Twelve Shillings per Pound, will sell the aforesaid Goods at very reasonable Rates, for Paper Currency, Bills of Exchange, *Indian* Corn, Pork, or Inspected Tobacco.

Annapolis, Dec. 28. 1748. WILLIAM ROBERTS.

WATCHES, which have been left at the Subscriber's Shop in *Annapolis*, to be clean'd or mended, being ready long since to be deliver'd back to the Owners; Notice is hereby given, That if they are not call'd for and taken away, before the 25th of *March* next, they will (as the Subscriber is about to leave the Province) be sold, to pay the Charges due to

JOHN INCH.

N. B. Some of the Watches have been in his Possession, and mended, above four Years.

THIS is to give Notice, that there is at my Plantation at *Lingan Ore*, one large Black Horse, branded on the near Shoulder and Buttock D, only not so plain on the Buttock as Shoulder; he had on when he came there a Bell, marked thus, I HYTTON. Also a middle sized Black Mare, with a Two Years old Black Colt, with a Star in his Face; she is branded on the near Shoulder N, and on the near Buttock O, a Blaze on her Forehead, with a Snip on her Nose, and one hind Foot white. Whoever applies to me in *Annapolis*, and proves his Property, may have them again, paying the Charge of this Advertisement.

WILLIAM CUMMING.

N. B. They are very valuable Creatures.

THE Subscriber intending to set up the Business of a Tanner, at Mr. *Iredell's* Tan-Yard in *Annapolis*, has supplied himself with every Thing convenient for that Purpose; and will work at the following Prices; viz. Five Shillings for each Hide; Three Shillings for a Kip; and Two Shillings and Sixpence for a Calf-Skin. He also tans Ben Leather.

He may be applied to at Mr. *John Campbell's*, Taylor in the City of *Annapolis*; or at the said Tan-Yard.

JOHN MURRAY.

NICHOLAS CLOUDS,

HEREby gives Notice to all Gentlemen and others, that he is removed from *Broad Creek* to *Goodger Point*, on *Kent Island*; where they may depend on meeting with good Boats and faithful Hands, to cross the Bay, and good Entertainment for themselves and Horses, from

Their humble Servant, NICHOLAS CLOUDS.

N. B. Gentlemen may find me almost any Day, at Mr. *Thomas Hutchinson's* in *Annapolis*.

NOtice is hereby given, that the Subscriber has removed from *John Campbell's*, to the House opposite to Mr. *Thomas Hutchinson's* in *Duke of Gloucester* Street, in *Annapolis*; where he makes and sells as good Chocolate as was ever made in *England*, at 4 s. 6 d. per Pound. Likewise *Scotch* Snuff, as good as any imported from *Europe*, at 2 s. 6 d. per Pound; and the best *French* Rappee Snuff at 3 s. per Pound. Constant Attendance is given at said House by ISAAC NAVARRO.

ALMANACKS for the Year 1749, to be had by the Printer hereof.

THE Commissioners of the Paper Currency Office hereby give Notice, that they will attend every Day at the said Office (except Sundays) to take in the Paper Money, 'till the middle of *November*, and from the first of *January*, on every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, and after *Christmas*, on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, in every Week.

Signed by Order of the Commissioners,

November, 1748. RICHARD DENNY, Clerk.

WILLIAM [illegible] Merchant,

AT his Store in [illegible] Street, Sells all Sorts of Goods for Women and Girls, as they first arrived at Market; and at the most reasonable Prices for Ready Money only.

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And to be SOLD by WILLIAM GOVANE, *at his House near* Annapolis, *very cheap, for Ready Money or Bills of Exchange*,

CHoice *Barbadoes* Rum, *New-England* Dram, Muscovado Sugar, Coffee, Iron Pots, Iron Skillets, *New-England* Soap in small Boxes, Train Oil, Bathbottom'd Chairs, and a Parcel of strong Osnabrigs.

TO BE SOLD,

BY the Subscriber, Part of a Tract of Land called *Venison Part*, lying in the Forks of *Patapsco* River, in *Anne Arundel* County, about six Miles from Mr. *Swindell's* Iron-Works, containing 350 Acres, all Wood Land, and well timber'd; and good low Ground, for those who are inclined to make Meadows. Whoever has a Mind to buy the same, may apply to the Subscriber at Mrs. *Sarah Warfield's*, near the Head of *Severn* River, where a good Title to the said Land shall be made by

ABSOLOM WARFIELD.

JUST IMPORTED,

In the Ship Edinburgh, *Capt.* Ruffell, *and to be Sold by the Subscriber in* Baltimore Town,

MEN and women's velvets, black mantua and calimanco silks, silk and worsted damasks for furniture, Irish linnens, osnabrigs, Manchester cheques, baizes, half thicks, fearnoughts, duffels, bear skins, coarse cloths, nails, cotton gowns, strip'd and plain flannel, Welch cotton, felt hats, cambricks, muslins, men and women's shoes, stays, stockings; ironmongery, stationary, haberdashery, and cutlery wares; powder and shot; with sundry other Things too tedious to mention; to be sold by Wholesale or Retale, for Ready Money, Bills of Exchange, Tobacco, Walnut Plank, *Indian* Corn, Staves, Wheat, Flour, Pork, Tallow, or Skins.

Likewise to be sold, *West-India* Rum, single and double refined Sugar, Coffee, Chocolate, Peppers, and exceeding good Teas at 15 s. per Pound.

JOHN STEVENSON.

TO BE SOLD,

By the Subscriber, for Paper Money, or Tobacco,

A Good Tract of Land, containing about 480 Acres, lying on the Waggon-Road near *Seneca* Bridge, convenient for inland Trade, or any public Business. It consists of two Plantations; on one of which is a good new Dwelling-House, 52 Feet long, with three Stone Chimneys, plank'd above and below, with two Rooms seal'd with Plank; a Milk-house, Meat-house, Corn-house, Stable, Barn, a good Well and an Orchard planted with about 300 Trees; about 50 Acres of the Land is under Fence, clear'd, and fit for plowing; with a great deal of rich Bottom, and 4 or 5 Acres of Meadow Ground. The other Plantation contains about 30 Acres of clear'd Ground, with a Dwelling-House 20 Feet by 16, and a 30 Feet Tobacco-house. Any Person inclinable to purchase, may view the Premises, and know the Price, by applying to the Printer hereof, or HENRY CRAMPHIN.

The Purchaser may likewise be supplied with Cattle, Horses, Hogs, Sheep, Corn, Fodder, &c. by the said *Cramphin*.

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